

WASHINGTON ADMITS MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM FACES DESPERATE ONSLAUGHT BY GERMANS NOW IN PROGRESS

Gore Introduces a Resolution to Keep Americans off Ships of Belligerents

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 24.—The first attempt to introduce legislation warning Americans off armed belligerent ships was made in congress today by Senator Gore, a Democrat. It was blocked by Senator Brandegee, a Republican, and under the rules cannot be resumed until tomorrow. Gore sought to introduce his bill to prohibit the passage of Americans on such ships, also to introduce a concurrent resolution requiring passage by the house, but unlike his bill, it did not have the approval of the president. Gore made this statement: "It seems to me the ship of state is drifting or driving headlong upon the breakers."

Situation Most Serious

The Gore resolution seeks to remove any cause for war injury of any American of an armed belligerent ship. Agitation for action warning Americans off armed ships overshadowed all other questions. The president's supporters, apprehensive that the smouldering sentiment might blaze up and embarrass diplomatic negotiations with Germany, is working to hold the administration forces in line. The Republicans are generally opposed to action by congress. The president is represented as determined to maintain the right of Americans to travel on armed merchantmen. A senator in the confidence of the White House is quoted as saying that he thought the situation the most serious since the war started.

BRITISH ISLES IN GRIP OF BIG STORM

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—The British isles are in the grip of the most severe snow storm in years. Severe weather is experienced throughout Europe. Scotland has suffered more than England or Wales.

GOLD KEPT IN HIDING IS PROVED IN GERMANY

(By Associated Press.)

BERLIN, Feb. 24.—Most of the gold in Germany is in the imperial bank by now, but that there is still some in hiding was proved recently when a Furstentum butcher advertised that he would sell fat in five pound lots to persons who paid in gold, and in one pound lots to those who paid in paper or silver.

The advertisement caused a veritable run on the butcher shop—so scarce is fat—and at the end of the first day the butcher was able to turn in almost a thousand marks in gold. People came not only from Furstentum but from neighboring towns and villages with the gold they hoarded up.

IN PLACES OF MEN

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Over 109,000 women up to now have taken the places of men in British industrial life, releasing as many men for service in the army. These figures have been compiled by the statistical department of the board of trade and fall short of the correct total, as many firms have not yet made their returns. Women now predominate in factories which they never entered before the war, and work metal lathes and drills quite like old hands.

REDUCE SHELL COST

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—A reduction in the cost of producing shells will result in a saving of 400,000 pounds weekly after June 1. This statement was made in the house of commons today by Dr. Christopher Addison, parliamentary secretary of munitions.

BISHOP ACCEPTS

(By Associated Press.)

PORTLAND, Me., Feb. 24.—Rev. Benjamin Brewster, missionary bishop of western Colorado, in a letter received today, accepted his election as bishop of the Protestant Episcopal diocese of Maine.

USUAL DIVIDEND IS DECLARED BY BELMONT

At a meeting held in Philadelphia today the directors of the Tonopah Belmont Development company declared the usual quarterly dividend of 12 1/2 cents. The books will close March 15 and the velvet money will be distributed April 1.

This dividend amounts to \$187,500, which with the \$7,830,522 hitherto paid brings the grand total up to \$8,018,022.

KAISER EXHORTS TROOPS AT THE FRONT

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Emperor William has established headquarters opposite Verdun and is making daily speeches to his troops, encouraging them not to yield. Dispatches from Berlin announced that the Germans drove another wedge into the French line and captured the village of Samogneux, six miles from Verdun. Paris says the French lines are unbroken. It admits the loss of the village of Brabant. Fighting is desperate near Beaumont, one of the strongest of the French positions.

NEW FLEET TO SAIL THE TWO OCEANS

A MAJORITY WILL BE FREIGHTERS ON THE PACIFIC

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, Feb. 24.—Eighteen steamers will compose the fleet of the new Gaston, Williams, Wilmore Steamship corporation, which has been organized to operate on the Atlantic and Pacific. Most of the Pacific freighters will run between San Francisco, China, Japan and Vladivostok.

NEW GUINEA CAPITAL GIVEN NEW NAME

(By Associated Press.)

MELBOURNE, Australia, Feb. 24.—Herbertshöhe, the name of the former seat of the government of German New Guinea, has by proclamation of Colonel Pothebridge, the Australian military administrator of the portion of the German Pacific possessions under British control, been changed to the name Kokopo. This was the original and native name of the place. Herbertshöhe was named after Count Herbert von Bismark, son of the famous "Iron Chancellor." It was Count Otto von Bismark who annexed the unoccupied portion of New Guinea to Germany in the early '80s and it was he who founded the German colonial empire. Some years ago for strategic and sanitary reasons the German government had shifted the seat of government from Herbertshöhe to Rabaul.

SUBSTITUTE DISCOVERED

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—Nitric acid, a waste material produced in enormous quantities in the manufacture of nitro compounds, has been found to be a useful product in the woolen industry and calico bleaching. A solution of the acid can be used as a substitute for sulphuric acid or any mineral acid in chemical processes where acidity alone is required. But it is not suitable in solutions stronger than 15 per cent, and thus can not be used in the dye stuffs industry or in the manufacture of explosives.

COMPANY OF CLERGYMEN

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—An entire company composed of Welsh clergymen and theological students has just had its first parade at Hyl. It has 240 members and is attached to the Royal Army Medical corps. All denominations are represented, Episcopalians, Methodists, Baptists, Congregationalists, Roman Catholics, and a student for a Jewish rabbinate. The company, after the parade, left for Sheffield for training.

COLE BLEASE ANNOUNCES HE WILL BE A CANDIDATE

(By Associated Press.)

COLUMBIA, S. C., Feb. 24.—Cole L. Blease today announced he would be a candidate for the democratic nomination for governor in the next primary. He will oppose Richard L. Manning, present governor. Blease served as governor from 1911 until last year.

VOTE FOR NEW LIGHTS

The city council of Reno recently passed an ordinance to install high power incandescents in the streets of the city. The arc lights will be removed from the crossings and incandescents of 400 candle power will be installed. Only about 12 arcs will be left in the business district of town. The difference in cost is over \$2 a month per light, and will amount to over \$3000 a year. Over 150 lights are maintained by the city.

WAR'S ALARMS CAUSE BIG DROP IN WHEAT

(By Associated Press.)

CHICAGO, Feb. 24.—Disturbing rumors that drastic consequences would result from the tension between Washington and Berlin caused a break of more than seven cents a bushel in wheat.

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TODAY AND A YEAR AGO

Official readings of the thermometer by the United States observer at Tonopah.

U. S. Weather Bureau	1916	1915
5 a. m.	34	30
9 a. m.	36	30
12 noon	45	34
2 p. m.	50	38
Relative humidity at 2 p. m.	42 per cent.	

THREE VESSELS FOR TRADE ON PACIFIC

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 24.—The purchase of the steamships Venezuela, Columbia and Ecuador by the Pacific Mail company from the Royal Dutch West-India Mail company is announced. The deal involved \$4,000,000. They will run from San Francisco to Central America.

AUSTRIANS ATTACK A WAR MUNITION TRAIN

(By Associated Press.)

TACOMA, Feb. 24.—Six to eight men attacked a Great Northern freight train loaded with automobiles and war supplies for shipment to Russia. They cut the air hose between the cars in five places. The train crew captured Sam Rusky and John Ross, who, according to the police, are said to be Austrians.

OPTIMISTIC VIEW OF MINING

N. W. Turney of San Francisco, president of the Consolidated Virginia and director in the Sierra Nevada, and Union mines, and members of the Pumping association of Virginia City, was a through passenger from San Francisco this morning to the Comstock city. Mr. Turney is an optimist in the mining business, and says a pessimist has no business in the mining game. When asked about the mining condition of Virginia City, he said there will be some good news to diffuse later on, that he had no fears of the future of mining on the Comstock.—Appeal.

WON'T SOMEBODY HELP?

Declaring that old maids as well as bachelors should be subject to a heavy state or federal tax, Mrs. J. M. Ellis, a lecturer at the Reno Y. M. C. A., recently arraigned the unmarried portion of the country's population. The lecturer took the stand that unmarried people were working an injustice on the race and the government by their celibacy. She cited several national characters of prominence and implied that they were not fulfilling the requirements of good citizenship.

SUPPOSED MAD DOG DID NOT HAVE THE RABIES

A microscopic examination of the brain of the dog killed in Reno a few days ago by a policeman after it had bitten a young boy, failed to show that the dog had rabies, according to a report made by W. P. Mack, State veterinarian, who states, however, that his report of the result should not be taken as conclusive, owing to the fact that the dog was shot, thereby making it impossible to determine definitely whether or not it was afflicted with rabies.

NORTARIES APPOINTED

Governor Boyle has appointed J. H. Clements of Reno and John W. Puett of Carlin notary publics.

BULLION SHIPPED BY TONOPAH MINING CO.

The Tonopah Mining company of Nevada shipped this morning from its reduction plant at Millers 47 bars of bullion, the product of about ten days' run. The consignment was estimated to be worth about \$55,000.

Masses of Troops Thrown Into Fray as Artillery Pours Its Deadly Hail

(By Associated Press.)

LONDON, Feb. 24.—A great battle on the western front, where two hundred and fifty thousand Germans under the crown prince are assaulting the French lines on a twenty-five mile front north of Verdun, is the outstanding feature of today's news. The battle is raging with great fury. Both sides are keeping up a continuous artillery fire and throwing masses of troops into the fray. The losses on each side are extremely heavy. The French assert they have checked the German advance eight miles from Verdun.

BONDED WAREHOUSES TO BE ESTABLISHED

(By Associated Press.)

PANAMA, Feb. 24.—Efforts are being made by merchants of Panama and Colon to interest the governments of the United States and the Republic of Panama in establishing bonded warehouses in the canal terminal cities. The subject has been discussed at recent meetings of the Panama chamber of commerce and it is believed that an active campaign to further the project will soon be started. The national assembly of Panama has already passed the necessary legislation authorizing the construction of warehouses. It is necessary that the congress of the United States also pass such a measure. The merchants point out that with the opening of the permanent channel in the canal the business opportunities in Central and South America will be vastly increased and that in consequence storage facilities on the isthmus will be greatly needed.

BOND BROKER KILLED IN AUTO ACCIDENT

(By Associated Press.)

LODI, Feb. 24.—James McCandless, a bond broker of Oakland, who was married a few weeks ago to a daughter of George Rodolph, an Oakland banker, was killed today when his automobile overturned near Galt. George O'Connor, a business associate of McCandless, was seriously injured.

CLARK COUNTY BIG PRODUCER

Clark county is rapidly nearing the top notch as a producer of mineral wealth. There are but few sections of the state having more profitable producers than this county, and the dividends produced during the year 1915 will make many a fortune. The best of it is that those who are reaping the big profits are mostly miners and prospectors who have brought success out of difficulty and disappointment by their persistence and hard work.—Age.

NEW PRISON FOR NEVADA

Work on the proposed new prison buildings for the state of Nevada has been started at Carson City. The last legislature passed a bill providing for the new buildings and excavations are being made and rock broken for the walls by the convicts. The plans call for a four story building, containing 320 cells, which are to be done by convict labor and it is expected that the total cost will not be over \$100,000. It is possible that the new prison will be located on the prison farm.

NO SERIOUS LOSSES

Isadore Sara came into Eureka last Sunday from the Fish Creek ranch with a sixhorse team and spent a couple of days here in superintending the hauling of several loads of cotton seed cake over Pinto summit, from where it can be sledged to the two bands of sheep he is feeding at the Fish Creek ranch. While the snow is still deep in that valley, he thinks that all the sheep owners in that section will be able to pull their bands through with no serious losses.—Eureka Sentinel.

AMERICAN LEGIONS

(By Associated Press.) TORONTO, Feb. 24.—Three additional battalions of the American legion, one each in Ontario, Winnipeg and Vancouver, are to be recruited, beginning probably in a week or two, according to announcement here tonight by the military department.

QUIETING GOLDFIELD TITLE

It is understood that an important move was taken this week in the matter of quieting title to all the realty in several blocks in the heart of the Goldfield business district. One of the sets of claimants reside in Tonopah. The property rights involved are worth up in the hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Sink Prize Vessel
After the German prize crew aboard the Britisher Westburn had landed their prisoners at the Canary Islands, they took the Westburn outside the harbor of Santa Cruz, at Tenerife, and sank her.

Germany Secures Grain
Germany today reported that she had secured a second contract for a hundred thousand carloads of Rumanian grain, and had entered into other commercial engagements in Rumania.

Developments at Lisbon
Unexpected war developments are reported from Lisbon, where thirty-six German and Austrian vessels were seized by the commander of the Portuguese naval division.

FRENCH AEROPLANES DO GREAT DAMAGE

(By Associated Press.)

PARIS, Feb. 24.—French aeroplanes bombarded the railway station and gas tanks at the outskirts of Metz. A great fire is observed.

NOTED WOMAN AUTHOR IS DEAD IN SEATTLE

(By Associated Press.)

SEATTLE, Wash., Feb. 24.—Miss Adele M. Fiedle, author, lecturer and missionary of note, died here today. She was 77 years old. Miss Fiedle's wide activities included writing a dictionary of the Sawtooth dialect, a compilation of Chinese fairy tales, biology, on which she was an authority, the invention of a glass case for the study of ants, and active participation in equal suffrage activities.

SPECIAL ADVISER

(By Associated Press.) PEKING, Feb. 24.—The Portuguese minister to China, Senor J. Baltasar de Freitas, has been appointed as special adviser of ceremonies to the palace for a term of three years. It is likely that the minister will temporarily surrender his position with the Portuguese government, and devote all his time to arranging the court etiquette and ceremonies for the new Chinese monarchy.

AWARDED MEDAL

(By Associated Press.) BOSTON, Feb. 24.—Major Charles Young, U. S. A., formerly military attaché to Liberia, today was awarded the Spingarn medal, which is annually given the American citizen of African descent for the highest achievement in the field of human endeavor during the preceding year.

OVERCOME BY GAS

J. B. Perovich, who is employed in the Halifax mine, was overcome by gas this morning, but he quickly recovered on being brought to the surface.

BUTLER THEATRE

BETTER PICTURES

TONIGHT

"HEARTS OF MEN"
A Charles K. Harris Production in Five Parts, Featuring ARTHUR DONALDSON

BEULAH POYNTER
A romantic and touching drama of school life, interwoven with a powerful story of a stolen invention

PATHE WEEKLY

TOMORROW

THE BARA

"DESTRUCTION"

A George Ade Comedy

Matinee, 1:30 Night, 7 and 8:30
Admission, 10 and 15c